Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for others and each of these attributes can be ascribed to Melvin Lutz, who has served 27 years with the state of South Dakota Department of Transportation (DOT); and,

Whereas, In March 1990, Melvin began his career with DOT as a materials technician and journey transportation technician surveyor in Pierre, South Dakota, and in 1991, as a journey transportation technician working as a roadway and bridge inspector and a surveyor, and in 2006, as a survey crew chief in Rapid City, South Dakota, a position he held until his retirement; and,

Whereas, Over the course of Melvin's career, he has witnessed the transition of survey equipment from level and tape, to total station, to global positioning systems, to light detection and ranging; and,

Whereas, Melvin's dedication to his family, faith, and work has been exemplified, he is trusted and respected by all, and he has served the people of this great state well, devoting the majority of his working life to the citizens of the state of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Melvin's professionalism has set high standards for all employees of the Department through his honesty, loyalty, determination, and integrity, he will be missed by his friends and co-workers in DOT; and,

Whereas, On May 31, 2017, Melvin will retire to spend more time with his family; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan on this momentous occasion:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 31, 2017, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his family, friends, and colleagues in offering him best wishes for an enjoyable retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-second Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Teresa Bray, Deputy Secretary

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State